

Journal for
Jens F. Mortensen
Salina Sevier Co
on hi Mission to
Minnesota. Called by
a Letter from John Taylor
at that Presidt for
the Twelve Apostles of the
Church of Jesus Christ of
Later day Saints. and after
by a General Move in the
Conference assembled on April
7th 1880

I Jens F. Mortensen

was moved upon by the Spirit
of God to Preach the Gospel. and to
Prepare for it I went ^{less} St George to
go through the Tempel. to ^{at} have the
2 Oldest of my Children ^{sealed} on
me. and to administer in Temple. for ^{us}
Some of my Dead Friends and Relations ^{cal}
we had a hard trip in the winter ^{sap}
but had good Luck. and had it ⁹
Satisfactorily attended to too

and when I came Home there was ^{of}
a Letter to me from John Taylor ^{the}
President for the Twelve Apostles of ^{on}
the Church of Jesus Christ of ^{fit}
Latter Day Saints. that I was called ^{to}
to go to the United States to Preach the ^{ith}
Gospel. which required me to give ^{on}
a midiat answer.

I wrote following answer

I am willing to go according to call ^{ey}
but I would sooner go to Danmark ¹
to Relatives and Friends and get Genealogys

April

Relations. my Nephew C. C. Nielson Gave me \$500 to help me out. the 4th I left my Friends in Moroni. Andrew Jensen ~~Lath~~ took me with Br. Wesley and Family to the Mountain Green. where I visited the meeting in the afternoon and was called upon to Preach had long Conversation with my Aunt H. Heiselt in the Evening and stopped with my Cousin H. Heiselt and him and Mrs. Jensen ~~Lath~~ took me and Weleys to the Depot at Keeler on the 5th.

I met with Brothers Lund & Erickson from Mt Pleasant ~~Geo.~~ Coming from Minnesota and gave me some information and Brothers Nielsen and Clausen ~~adres~~ in Linden Park.

I then took the Cars for Salt Lake City and stopped at Thomas Jones and attended Conference the next Day April 6th and was highly edified

and instructed by hearing the Twelve Apostles speak. and as it was the year of Jubilee there (was) spoken about helping the poor and indebtedness to P. E. fund was given after to a great extent and dividing the same and the Rich Brethren was counseled to give their Notes Back to their Poor Brethren and 1000 Cows and 5000 Sheep was given to the poor and the General P. E. Society voted to lend their wheat to save for the poor.

There was good many Missionaries called to go on missions.

on the 9th we was set apart for our missions. by the Twelve apostles some of them. Brother Joseph Young pronounced the blessing on my Head. the next Day I got Books at the Juvinil Institute Office. had my appointment confirmed by F. D. Richards. and started the same day for Farmington with H. Jensen with we stopped with his Uncle and was well

I then received the following
You & then received the following ans.
I am required to tell You that You
are requested to fit out for a Mission
to Minnesota. but after Laboring
ther a year or so. You can have the
privileges to finish Your Mission in
Denmark to get Your Genealogys and
so on

I then mad Preparations, and got
the Best Span of Horses, and some
Stock to raise Money to Travel
for. And the Young Ladys made
up a Dance for Hyrum Jensen and me
who at the same time was called to
Go on Mission, and \$3.50. Cent for
each, on April 1st 1880 I was
ready to start, but had to go through
Sanpet to deliver my Horses.

I said Farewell to my Wife and
children and left them in care of
that is the Protector for the Willow and
the Father for the Fatherless.

and depending on God my heavenly
To help them in need I left Town
with the Horses. Brother John Andersen
was to bring my Cloth along to manta
and as I had to wait for him after I
got out of Town. I looked back on
the Town, when I for several years
back had. gone through a good deal
of hardship. and spent many hap-
py days with my family and good
many thoughts crossed my mind as I
had never before being called to
leave my family for any length of
time. I had some trouble with the
Horses, and went around by Gunnison
where Br Andersen stopped for the night
and I stopped in Mayfield, and went to
Manti on the 2nd and settled up with
Brother Christensen about the Wagon
and arranged with Hans Jensen to Mo-
rion. on the 3rd. I got my money
and started for Moroni, after that
I bid Goodby to my Sister and

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entertained. Sunday on the 11. we went to Meeting. and I. was Called upon to Preach to Large assemled. I Stopped to T the 13. took the Cars to Ogden. and with 39 more Missionarys started for Omaha. we infiod ourself well on the Train myself and Brothers W. Palmer & Peckin. I stopped in Council Bluff for the night. and on the morning of the 16th started for Sioux City. Stopped at Br. Gile and at 10 a. M. in Evening started for Maetolia arrived ther at 6. a. m. on the 17th and started for Linden on Foot. Stopped and had Breakfast with a foreigner named Martin had a Conversation about the gospel. arrived at Linden at augh in Found Brother Larsen from Moroni to Bro Hansen. I had seen his Family Moroni hence the Meeting was interesting. Sunday 18. we had Public meeting Bro Hansen and we partook of the Sacrament and we stopped at Brother Hansen's on Monday.

April

on Tues day 20 me and Brother Jensen went to Salt Crystal and Bought some Cloth. went back again with Bro Hansen on Wednes Day 21. we went out to Preach Came to several Places wher the People did not about hearing us come to Ole Soc ^{in Butterfield Wall} rensen Whose wife was a Mormon. had dinner and got into a Long Conversation with a Lutheran Mr. Petersen. on Religion I. proved to him out of Bible the Mormon Doctrine. we came to Lars Nielsen in Linden the same night and found Brothers M. Andersen and N. G. Jensen. Miss Mathilda was very sick we administered to her and agreed to Fast the next Day I had a Talk with Brother Tenney about Celestial marriage T. 22. hold Council what to do and then administered to Miss Nelson. She got a Little better. B. Tenney & Jensen started for Wallowon Bro. Jensen to hold meeting T. 23 Andersen. I started for Linden to hold meeting. I stopped to Bro Nielsen to help to take car and administer to Tilda Nelson S. 24.

April

Sunday 25th held Meeting to Br. Hansen
there was a good spirit in the meeting
Some Strangers Present

Monday 26 visited Mrs. Halvorson whose Daug.
Bet Sarah was a Latterday Saint had good
Conversation about Baptism of Children
and Polygamy and so on - I told them that
People was not to be Baptized unless they belie-
ved and Repented. and that Polygamy had
always been among the People of God. the
Woman Got to feel a little better and
allowed me to Sleep all night but
in the Dusk Bros Andersen and Larson
Came in. and Mrs. Halvorson Got mad
and Left the House, and did not come
back till Morning there was some young
Folks there and I had a Pleasant time in
Talking about the Gospel.

Mrs. Halvorson came back in the mor-
ning and she invited me to Breakfast
but told me she did not want me to come
again. I told her I did not like that
as I always use to when I came

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to behave so that I could come again
She said that she had nothing against
me whatever but did not like monog-
amism. I then went to Linden where
I Stopped with the Saints to Sunday
May 2nd and had a meeting with the Saints in
the forenoon there was a good spirit in meeting
Bros Andersen & Larson present. one Young
Man was there Br. Evans he got a good testimony
Tilda Nelson was getting better

in the afternoon we had publick meeting
to Jesus Hansen some Strangers present and
some opposition

Monday 3rd Meeting to Lars Nelson in the Evening
I Ordained him to Priest

Tuesday 4th - Elders Andersen & Larson Left for
Monticello

Wednesday 5th went to Linden and Stopped to see
Hay Craft and then in aged Boundary Schoolhouse
seen Mr. Boundary & Fairbanks. he said he did
not want me to Preach Polygamy in their School
and went to Part man and wife. I told them
we did not do that and we Preached the gospel of
Christ

May 6 went and Stopped with Mr Spoon
7. went back to Linden visited Halvorsen
on the road he cooked dinner for me and
his Daughter Sister Mathilda Sorensen gave me
2 Pairs of Cotton Socks Stopped in Linden 2 Days
Sunday 9 went with ^{Stopper Simon Nolans} Boe Nielson and had
a meeting with Sister Thilda Sorensen Singing
the ^{People} Fiercest Sali ^{field} went back home
with Boe Nielson

Monday 10 went out to Preach Stopped with
Mr Hughes he was very Religious. He
wanted me to Pray with them and I Preach
to them it was very rainy the next 30 I
Stopped till after Dinner. He Charged me 50 Cents
and as I had no small Change I left the Voice
of Warning and went to Luck Crystal
Stopped on the Union House

He told me that this was some Latterday
Saints or Mormons. I went to Mr Crean in
the Post Office but was Josephites and opposed
me very much. but a Little after took me to
the House and introduced me to one of their
12 Apostles Mr Campbell. he wanted to get
up an Debate about Polygamy. as he said

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that Revelation never was given to Joseph Smith
the Prophet. I told him that I could produce an
affidavit in ^{the} Novice Expositor. from William
Law. he said that Joseph S. said that W Law
Lied. I Thought he did but Joseph got the Preve-
lation notwithstanding. he lost many Pages
but in the Book of Mormon and Doctrine & Co-
llect Failed to Produce anything to hinder God
from giving the Revelation.

I then asked the Privilege to ask him a few Ques-
tions. He said I might; I asked as follows
You said your Church was reorganized in
1860. Where was it, when the Latterday Saints
had left Nauvoo and the Mob fell upon the
Poor and helpless and drove them across the River
Was you among the Saints or the Mob
He said he was in the Country around and had
found Grace and was counted to be good honest
People. I told him that if Mob and those
who had imbrued their hands in the Blood of
the Prophets and the innocent was to who
there was good Latterday Saints. I Thought the Saviors
words was fulfill on them when he said

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W. onto You when Everybody Speaks well
of You, for the did that in the Days of Old
of the False Prophets. I went to Linden ~~Wednesday~~
Saturday 15 left Linden Stopped at ^{Evening} Juelsen
Sunday 16 had Meeting in the Schoolhouse
Speak both English and Danish Stopped at
Nielsen. where there had been a Meeting there
was good many People and their Testimony
to them. Monday 17. left for Grapeland
Road. the most of the Way to Chankatto and
Came to Mr Hawkins in Belview was well
entertained. he invited me to come back and
Preach in their Schoolhouse

on the 18. I called at Mr Gilmore and got
to Grapeland the same Evening to Mr. Tenney
I found Brothers Tenney & Juelsen and went
in Company with them the Next Day to
Visit John Gofe Brother in law to Tenney
on the 21 of May Brother Tenney Baptized
Mr Tenney's Wife Mary Elisabeth Born Augt
1834. and I Confirmed her and Blessed
Eliza Emma Tenney Born Feb 25- 1877
23 Blessed Josephine Minerva Tenney July 4- 1873

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Sunday 23 Stopped at John Gofe in forenoon
Meeting in Grapeland Schoolhouse in the afternoon
the following was written on the Blackboard
A postle from Salt Lake around Grapeland to
make Proselytes at \$40 per Head. the as
Partakers in the Mountain below Massee
the Hill them self Elders. When the ought to be
~~Called~~ outlaws. Nathan Tenneys Band
Notwithstanding the above Writings I
was called upon to open their Sunday School
with Prayer. in Discourse I said Some remarks
on the existing Prejudice against us
we Partook of the Sacrament in the Evening
Monday 24. Started for Albert Lea
Stopped for the night at Mr Wells 3 mil
below Wells we came to Albert Lea on
the 25 in the afternoon we found a Danish
Boardinghouse. where I found good manner
there was aquainted with my relatives
from Denmark. and had a Pleasant Time
went to Bed about 9 o'clock but 2 hours
latter the House was surrounded by a mob
the News 2 Mormon Elders had come to

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Town. had roused the whol Scandinavie
Population. Not withstanding that ther was
8 Different Churches in Town

When we awoke ther was 10 or 12 Persons
in room and Demanded us to Come Down
forthwith as they wanted to see me.

I told that was Tired and Sleeping but
would be happy to wait on them in the
Morning: They said that they was Working
men. and had no Time through the Day.
I told them in Order to Ollige them
we would wait til Evening:

They said they were 500 Scandinavies and
they were all United that they would not
hear us if we told them that they need not
hear us unless they wanted. and I tried to
Explain to them the impropriety of
Coming this Time of Night to Disturb
Strangers in a Boarding house. We could
hear the Oyels frome underneath Down
with them Down with them: if the ar the
Servants of God let them Try whether he
can protect them or not

I felt all the Time that God would
Protect us. after a Little the Proprietor

Christian Pedersen ^{came} and Told them to Go Down
which they also did. I had nearly fall
to Sleep again when the Lady came up
and Told us that they ^{was} not Satisfid and

wanted us to Come Down and talk them. She
Said they was not Police enough in
Town to keep Order. we then Dressed ourself

and went Down to talk with them and one
Paul Jensen. ^{the man gen. was in a fainting fit} ther had once been in Utah and
Som more Ease in. he Commenced by finding

Fault with the Latter day Saints and their
Children. I told him the Laints in Utah

was the best People on the Face of the ^{whole}
Earth. after some Conversation I told ^{them} an

about 12 year ago. ther was about 16
Persons Slept in my House all Night
and never was Disturbed. he said he was
one of them. and he did not like this.
I found after I cam back again that

a Clerk in Sandy Store was the Cause of
it. ^{by man's ways} Recently Thankful to God for Delivering
us out of their hands

May

26 Left Albert Lea early in the morning and found one Emigrant Woman with 4 Children whose Mother & Aunt & grand Mother I had Baptized into the Church in Denmark was very poor but was glad to see us. we stopped for the night with Ch. Arvis

27 Engaged Ward School house 8 Miles ^{Engen} North of Albert Lea. Give out in lead

Stopped with Nielson ~~Madson~~ for the night

28 Visited some Danish. Stopped with P. P. Frost. him and Family was very friendly but belong to the Baptist Church a member of the same Church Ole Sandal came in the morning. he said he know Mormonish men was false: I asked him how he did know as he did not believe in New Revelation and if it was in the Bible I wish he would show it to me: he said then he believed it was

I then visited an old friend P. V. Foldseth and stopped at night at Nels Madsen

Sunday 30 had meeting in the forenoon with some Free thinkers Americans. was opposed by Hans Nielsen but he left ashamed

June

Then visited Frost and stopped for the night at Jens Nielsen. a Baptist May 31. Tried to get meeting but failed wrote a letter home. Stopped at Sorensens June 1st went to Steel Co Dinner at Steel Quillar. Stopped at night with with O. B. Erdt. had meeting engaged in their Schoolhouse and went around to invite. We on 2 had the meeting at 4 p. m. Spoke to the School Children first and then more came in so we had a long meeting and left a good impression. Stopped at night at Steel Quillar

Jun 3 Dined at Olsens had a very good conversation tho was Baptist but not bigoted. Stopped at night Steffensens Lemonid. June 4 Visited some Danish

Stopped N. Chidersens

5 Appointed meeting at Jens Hansens but the rain prevented to went to the 7 Days School and had meeting on the 7th even was well attended and gave a good Testimony. Stopped P. Nielsen

June

8 went to New Richland

9 to ~~Whirria~~ Stopped at Mr. Hall's

10. appointed meeting in Flowers School

Dined Glacks Stopped at Johnsons

11 invited to meeting Stopped Farleses

12 Dined Flowers Stopped at Tailors

13 Visited the Sunday School at one p.m.
and had a good meeting at 2

Bros. Jensen came back from Newland
Stopped John Forbes.

14 Went to Minnesota Lake Stopped with
a and Old Methodist Preacher he said
he did not want to bear us but could not
let alone asking. Charged us \$1.00

15 went to Grape Land to A. Tenney. and
had our clothes Washed Stopped 2 Days

16 went to Mapleton Stopped at Gilmon's

18 went to Belview Stopped Smith Hills

Jensen Stopped at Hawkins When
he stopped and worked the next day

19 invited to Meeting had a Long talk
with a Catholic Stopped at Hawkins

Meeting June

Sunday 20 went to Methodist in the
afternoon. the Minister spoke about Trinitiy
but interpreted to Camp meetings etc.
He said that Trinitiy meant Substance
We had meeting at 2. p. m. and 7. p. m.
well attended and good spirit. Stopped Hawkin's
the 21 Dinner at Tyoly Stopped at
Jones Dairi west of Mankato

Let them have the voice of Warning

22 went through Lake Crystal to Witten-

Non Prejudiced Stopped at Cray's Barns

I Read the Wisions of Joseph Smith
he was not opposed and entertained us well

23. went to the Trustees for the Schoolhouse
went through the Baptist Settlement

Stopped at 16th & 8th Streets

24 visited Sister Glaverson

and went to Linden to Bro Hansen

Stopped 2 Days had good Time

June 26. Baptized and Got Confirmed

H. Ludwig W. Hansen Bora April 3 1866.

W. Lorenzo A. Hansen Marts 10th 1868.

June) July

26 Lars Nelsen Bapt. I Confirmed
William C Nelsen & June 21th 66
Astor Co. January 21th 70
Ida C. Nelsen May 10th 68
Agnes C. ~~~ about 17 - 71
27 Sunday School in the Morning
Small Publick Meeting p.m.
Meeting in the Evening of the Saints. 7. p.m.
28 Stopped in Lincoln

29 Visited Sister Halvorson Stopped Haynes
30 Visited in Swedish Settlement Stop Rasmussen
July 1 + 2 Stopped at Sam's Settlement Stopped to Johnson
3 went to Greenwood 2 nights
Help to make Ice cream went to Picnic
Sunday 4. went Capital City Meeting
Meeting apt at 2 p.m. no attendance
Stopped at Mr. Barnes

5 July Dined ~~Brainerd~~ ^{Paulina} for a long
Conversation Read Joseph Smith's first W^{ri}
Went to Madelia and stopped for night
6 went Juvinant was well ^{Paulina}
entertained appointed meeting
for Samay

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July

July 7 went west stopped at Olsens
in the ^{evening} Confessed to be Saint but
did not believe in Revelation
Stopped for the night with a Swedish Family
Severe storm in the night
8 Visited Sam Swedish Lutherans
Dined at Brainerd Jacobsen
Stopped for the night with with a
Lutheran Norwegian. he had a German
Catholic wife we had a interesting
Conversation he said I might come and
I went to Juvinant Hans ^{hold meeting}
10. helped to Plow Corn and Cut Hay
11. Meeting at H. Juvinant at 10. a.m.
God Spirit had opposition for Elling How
had English meeting at 2. p.m.
Good attendance. God Spirit no oppo
sition Mr. Duncan took me home
with him. entertained me well
12. Visited Mr. Peterson
Stopped at Ole Wilborgs Room
with him the next day to Madelia
Visited Sister H. went to Lincoln

July 1880

14 July Stopped in Linden a few Days
Sunday 18 Sunday School in Formnoon to L. Nielsen
Meeting to J. Hansen at 2 p.m. Some Strangers
there was a Long Conversation after by H. Jensen
Who defended No Ordination of Pres, Hood
19 Stopped at Linden
20 went to Linden to get the Hotelhouse for
the next Sunday had a Hot opposition
Mrs Halvorsen by and Mr Bachelor about
Polygamy the Old ask me kindly not to
Come again seen Boundary in the Hayfield Stopped
at Mr Spoon wrot with his Boy the next
Day to Madelia went to Hans Juvinant
Stopped a Couple Days and wrot Back with
him to Madelia the 24 went to Linden
the 25 myself & Louis Hansen & Willie
and Tilda Nielsen went to Mrs Halvorson
and Luis Halvorsen took his Team and took
us and 10 more to Meeting. Cathilda Elsey
was Singer. and by the Grace of God we had a
very good meeting I did Read some in the
Book of Mormon and some in the Pearl of
Great Price and expounde the Scriviters

July 25 1880

August

went Back to Linden the Same Evening
Stopped and helped Bro Nielsen in the Harvest
August 6th had a Sunday School Formnoon
Good Meeting in the Afternoon at L. Nielsen
Sister Halvorsen ^{and} Brothers and Mr & Mrs Larsen Present
a good spirit manifest I hope some of them
will receive the Gospel
I Stopped the next week and help Bro. Els
he paid me ^{for} \$2.00 Dollars
on the 8th ^{for} ^{for} ^{for} Meeting to J. Hansen
a few Strangers Present went and got the Word
Stopped in Linden that evening at
Sunday 14 Sunday School at L. Nielsen
Rain in the after noon
Monday 16 went to Charles Stopped at J. Hansen
got some Books and other Necesities and had
my Lines took and went to Tyoly
went to Methodist Prayer Meeting
to give out my meeting for the next
Night as the Trustee had already
given Privilege. after the had been Singing
and Praying I got the Privilege to speak
a few words. the was very Prejudic

August

but none of them would entertain me
for the night. he had forgotten the saying of
St James be willing to entertain Stranger
as some have entertained Angels unaware
but I suppose the would want the Angels
to have Wings. and did not expect to hear
any Message from God. I stopped with Mr
Englehardt who was in Salt Lake City in 1852
and gave the Latter Day Saints a good Testi-
mony. the next Day I went to and Old Joseph
it. over 90 Years Old I explained the gospel
to him. and how the Ordinances was Admini-
stered for the Dead he was very much edified
and comforted. I then went to hold Meeting
but the Methodist who had the Key would not
give it up. without a written Order from
the Trustees and ther was none of them
man enough to give me one. ther was some
Boys Present who would had liked to hear me
but as we could not get in the went home
and I stopped again with Mr Englehardt who
entertained me well. he told me of another Calvary
I tried to get the next day but I did not
get in

August

succ'd. I went further East but after I
had been to one of Trustees who give his consent
he showed me where the other was working
with a Treashing Machine. he said he had no
objection to Religious meetings. and other why
Religious and Present. but when I told them
that I was a Latter Day Saint the Objectors and
would meet with with their members if
the could not prevent otherwise. I told
them that kind of talk was unsuited for
I then went to Winnebago Agency and road from
ther to Belview and stopped at Smith Hill.
He entertained me kindly but clinging to his own
Religion. and the next Day Sunday 22 August
I held meeting in Brown Coalhouse 3 o'clock
further South. Stated that night at Mr Ward
the next Day I stopped at Mr Gilmore for dinner
and road with his Wife and Boy to Cheltenham
She is Bishop Chiles Daughter from Brigham City
I then went to Mrs A. Tenney Graphwood the same
Brother A. C. Tenney was ther and had been in
a great pain in his one knee for a long time
administered to him by the grace of God he got well

August 24

went to visit John Gofe. Brother Tenney's
Brother inland. he had tantalized Bro Tenney
for being sick and said if he could get healed
by our Elder he would believe but in the
when ^{of Gofe} his Brother ^{came} and told him Bro Tenney
was healed by me administering to him his
Wife said. now John where is your Faith
he tried to get around it. this surely is a
very unbelieving and Perverted Generation
on the 25th I went with Brother Tenney to visit
his Brother Oliver. and next Day after visiting
some more Friends and the next Sunday we
had a meeting in that Schoolhouse a very
Good Attendance. went Grapeland in the Evening
Monday August 30 went to visit the Kornis
-yan Settlement Southwest Stated with a Dr.
who stand by the Name of Bro. when I
came back stoped by a German Letter writer
Name Menager one eighth he was liberal
in his views. I then went down to Kornis and
got Price of Great Price. went back to the
Tenney Grapeland and help him some to haul
Grain received letter from Home

Septm

Sunday Septm 5th Meeting in Grapeland
School house small attendance
Work for Tenney Days
Septm 6th went to Mapleton received 2 letters
Meet Bro Tenney at Night at Gilmons
Septm 10 Dinned at Miracles 7 Day at town
Stoped for with one that called himself
a United Brother. he was Trustee for a
Schoolhouse which he refused to let me Preach
in and opposed me all he could
the next Day we engaged Marshall School
house. I then went to Mr. Hawkins Stoped for
the night.
Sunday 12 had a meeting tolerable good attendance
Stoped with Mr. Balcock. a Sociable and
Pacifc Man. he invited me to come again
Monday Sept 12 Meeting in Elm City
in the Evening those that hired the Hall
was mostly Freebooters. Stoped with Mr. Smith
on the next ^{Day} South came in to a Place to rest
but when we ^{the Lady} told that we was Morristown Elders
she got excited and hallowed for the Boy
but after we had a talk with her felt well and
gave us some in butter to eat again

Septmber 14

Left Mr Kings in the Morning had Dinner at John Forbes went to Wells
15 Metting in Wells Woolhouse in Evening had a Good attendance. Stopped at the American House free of Charge had a Long Conversation with the Proprietor.
16 I then engaged the Town Hall and 2 Mettings the next Sunday. English 10. a.m. Danish 2 p.m. went the same Evening and Stopped with a Swedis Man Mr Andersen
17 visited the Danish North of Alder Stopped at Mr Glansens the next Day then visited som more Danish
18 went through Freeborn and Stopped at a Norwegian. 19 went to Hartland Stopped at the next Day went to Som Seven Hotel Day of eventy- and was to their meeting the next Day. Spoke to them about the immortality of the Soul. and about the Restoration of the Gospel by an Angel and that Men was not made for the Sabbath. but Sabbath was made for Men Stopped that Night with A. C. Nelson Bapt.

Septmber

Sunday 26 went Baptist meeting the Minister took Job for his Text. I had a short Conversation with him after Meeting went home with Lars Pederson Back.
27 went East of Albert Lea and visited some Danish 28 Metting in their Scoolhouse was well entertained by the Old Friends Anders Jensen and Thomas Kornet and Lindet 29 road a Long ways in a Buggy. Dinn at Pilligrines. Stopped at Brown Dell with Hedegaard. had lost one Leg and was friendly 30 went one East and October 1st arrived Spring Valley Stopped at a Malarock Hill the next Day went to Town and back and Stopped at Hanahoria Tenney.
Sunday October 3 held meeting in their Scoolhouse in Connection with Brother A. C. Tenney- and as he had in their Sam Day Scool Lessons about Abraham. I Spoke some in regard to Celestial Marriage which Displeased some Methodist one Mr Proster took me 8 Mile on my way and give me supper.

October 4

Went through Filmore and stopped that night with Irish Catholic he was not very Religious but liked to talk about Politics October 5 went through Elba Lanesboro Dined with a Danish from Halleck Wisysd. Stopped that night with a Norwegian.

6 went through Petersen and Brattfjord and stopped with Mr Petersen 5 miles on the other side his wife was Norwegian. She told me of a Swede ^{from} Norway that I did not go back the next day went to Houston Co. Stopped with German had a long conversation in the Evening he thought what Peter Cartwright had said was the truth about the Mormons. I told him that it was not to depend on as he had not given it out for the truth as he said he threw his Journal away and explained to him that more Mormonism was true.

8. The I went to Laerodde Paid 16 cent to cross the Fredeg. and took C. of. N. W. Train to Chicago and arrived in Chicago in the Morning on 9th went to Elwood in Ill. On the same Evening found my Wifes Nise & Peter Steffensens wife

I had ^{acquired} Bro Edmont he sent me 7 dollar I sent for 10 to pay him I stopped there for about 16 Days only Paid visits to some of the Danish had 2 meetings there with the Danish October 20 took train for Elizaga and then took Chicago Northwestern for Owatonna and arrived there in the morning of 21. tried to get a meeting there but was refused arrived at Lemont street Co. the same Evening had meeting in the Danish School house in the Evening on the next Sunday at 10. p. m. went to the Lutheran meeting at 2. p. m. and was invited to a conversation with him the Priest in the Evening slept in Bed with him in the night he did not like to be convinced that Child Baptizing was wrong. went to Berlin the next Day. Stopped at Olsen a Swedes Baptist November he was a wise man and believed in ^{he was a wise man and believed in} went to Mr. & Col. Switlaar went stopped with a Norwegian we went over in the Evening to his Brother to and had a conversation about God & there was many together but they did not like offend

November

Their Priest by letting me have Publick
Meeting. November 2 visited some Danish
Baptists went and stopped at Nels C. Nielsen
whether there was Preacher meeting.

November 3 Appointed meeting at Jyse Peter
met Brother J. Jacobson on the Broad and
went and stopped at P. P. Frost. Clark's Grove
he was very friendly we helped him some
with his house. went and in gaged their
School house. but the Post master objected I
ask him the reason he told me we Preach
False Doctrin. I ask what he said we Preach
Baptism for Remission of Sins. if had lived in
Days of Peter he of course would have repre
sented him. Sunday Evening at 7 p. m. we
had a good meeting to P. -
one Monday the 8 wrote a letter to Lauri
sen and Jens Hansen to send our Goblets
and went to Albert Lea. Came back to P. P. Frost
went the next Day and dined at N. Nielsen.
he opposed in our Religion went the same evening
near the Summer he took the first Chapter
of Evangelist John for his Text. Stopped
at Norwegian

November 10

it was raining we went and was well
entertained with Nels Lunderhede
and stopped for the night at Baptist
near by he was united with us in some of our
Doctrines. the 11. we went through Geneva
and stopped at an American Swan and Gold
the 12 went Blumberg Prairie and stopped
N. Nielsen. he helped us to get the School house
to Preach in the next Day for a Danish meeting
he took us home from meeting and entertained
us well. in the evening good many strangers
came in. one commenced to put Questions to make
out that we had Broken Path by leaving
the Lutheran Church but soon got confounded.
Sunday 14. had Danish meeting at 2 p. m.
and English at 7 p. m. had opposition from
some Catholics. was well entertained with
Soren Pedersen had a good talk with him
in the morning and I left the voice of warning
15 went through a Bachianian Settlement
and stopped with an American Wid ^{Widow} woman
she untaught us well but was not Religious
16 stopped for dinner at Nels Lunderhede

Page 17 Clarks Grove

November

Left Lars Jensen Back. he was Baptist and we had long conversation about God being a Personal Being he even went as far as to Denie the Body of Christ after his Ascension. I. friend Br. Jacobson at P. P. Frost we went to the Post Office and stopped at John Petersens. Went to Albert Lea the next day. Got some Rubber Shoes and Gloves went South and stopped at Jens Christian Jensen. Went the next day visited the Trustees engaged the Schoolhouse stopped at Andrew. He had a Daughter in Utah was very friendly and an Old man ther Linstroms belong to our Church. the 20 visited and invited to meeting stopped near Hans Cremmer. Preached the gospel as we went along Sunday 21. had meeting in the Schoolhouse stopped at Andrew's ^{at night} the next day had a long conversation at R. Cremmer. 22. went to Jens Oeni Jensen Meeting in Evening 23 went to Albert Lea and visited Sister Guldberg. and Spoke to her about the gospel her husband was Baptist

went to Clarks Grove and got our Mail and stopped at P. P. Frost

24 wrote some letters stopped at the P. O.

25 went to Albert Lea and went East of Albert Lea and appointed a meeting had a talk at Albert Mikkelsen a Trustee stopped at Mathias Harrisson

the next day give out notice in Schoolhouse and then stopped at Nick's Dales

the next day visited some friends

stopped and was well entertained at Jensen Sunday 28. had a good meeting in the Schoolhouse. had some opposition after which the Denied the Signs. and said even if ther was People healed it would be done with Sorcery. and went back and stopped at Andrew Jensen

the 29 went to Shetlock visited several places but had no dinner and people was very prejudiced it took til 9 O'clock before we found a place to stop with a Norwegian at Free Home

November 30

Ran at Meeting at Freeborn School
had a dispute with some Freethinkers
and stopped at Nels Andersen

December 1 Passed over to Jens Cr. Jensen
Stopped at Berglunds he was Baptist
and did not oppose us

December 2 went through Albin Lee
and stopped at Olaus 3 miles Southeast
of Albin he had a Boy that had
his one foot cut off

Dec 3 went and had a meeting at Albin
Schoolhouse was well attended and a
Good Spirit Prevailed stopped with a
Danish Family

on December 4 went North of Albin
in gaged the schoolhouse and stopped
at Daniel Clark at Charls Town

he was a Seventh Day Baptist and stood
hard on Saturday for Sabbath

the next Day Sunday 5 was very
Stormy we did not get Meeting
west and stop at Mr. Wages
he was a Learned sensible man

December

Dec 6 Fairfield cold we did not
go very far but stopped with a Danish
the 7 Traveling. went toward Wels
Stopped at Andersen and Jacobsen Bros.
8 Fairfield cold went through Wels
and then went and stopped at a German
9 went to Alvinia and stopped at J. Lane
10 went to St. Minnesota Lake and stop
at Oliver Tenney he was not home
when we came we started a fire
and the soon came we had a long
Talk about Predestination but
created a very good feeling the
girls sung in Evening to amuse us
Dec 11 went to Ambrose Tenneys and
found Bros Tenney him and Sister Tenney
Started to wash our clothes we stop
the next Day Sunday and in the Evening
Partook of the Sacrament

Dec 13 visited John Gof had a good
Conversation all the different was
believe in New. Revelation and
Authority from God to administer

December 14

he invited us to come again
went back from John Goff Bro
Mr Tenney's horses run away and tipped
the Load of Wood we helped him to
Preload Stopped at Mr Tenney's he had
made his Mind up to go to New Haven
with Bro Tenney

the next ^{day} Broad with Mr Tenney to
Appleton and got our mail and
sent my Advice to Linden

All went and had Dinner at Mr
Grimm's She had yest got a Baby
dead and Stopped Miracles the was
Seven Days advent. and the did not
believe in the immortality of the Soul
Still we spent a very Pleasant Evening
December 16 took Dinner at Mr Ward

Stopped at night at Mr Babcock his
was friendly did not oppose us want us
to come again

December 17. went to Tivoli had Dinner
with a Universalist Stopped at night
with my Old Friend Mr J. S. Engle
Earth he was much interested

December

Dec 19 went to Eagle Lake was to
School Seven day Advent. had Dinner at Mr Hill
Dec 20 to Methodist Meeting 10. a.m.
had a good meeting at Temperance
Hall. had a very Large Meeting
about 150. and the was very attentive
Some Stopped after meeting the said
that what we had said was good but
the wanted hear about Polygamy which
I explained. Stopped at Mr Burges
he was a Lawyer and treated us with
Respect the next Day went to Man-
kato and Jacobson had his License took
recut, just on the same Evening and Stopped
at Martin Nielsen's two nights
had 2 meetings one Danish
and English Good attendance
Stopped one night with

December 24 went to Linden

Stopped at Mrs Hawens the Winter
turned very hard

had Meetings every Sunday

Jan 1st 1881 at Linden Jens Hansen
2nd Can meeting in Linden Jens Hansen
Jan 3rd visited in the Danish
Settlement Stopped at Hans Jensen
he said he was glad if anyone would
come and strengthen him in his own faith
but else he was not welcome he did
not believe it was necessary to have
any authority to Preach the Gospel
I told him he had any right to
administer in the Ordinances of the Gos-
pel unless he is Called of God

Sunday Jan 9 Meeting Jens Hansen
10 + 11 Stopped 2 p. m.

Meeting to Niels Larsen at 7 p. m.

Stopped at Jens Hansen

10 had a Talk with John Sorenson

11 Stopped at Jens Hansen Wrote some letters

12 Went to Madelia with B. Hansen

Got some Clothing Stopped at 2 nights
at Helga Palmers she had some faith
in the Book of Mormon she did not
believe but treated me friendly

14 Dinned at Siver Olsen
Stopped at Hans Javilant had Dans

15 went to Ole Wiborgs he went away
for a Sled. the was to have a Child
christened by Baptism the next day
the Daughter was Mather but the was
nearly want to be Father

went and stopped at Mr. Dunlins

he had just had a shooting Scrape
he was very much interested in our
visit. he said he believed in the Bible
but did not want to join any Church
the Young Folks had tried to sever
his but he did not want it and here
the Old Lady Fired a Do. barrel

Shot gun and the Bird was still to
be seen on the snow. I told him
about my Experience in Albert Lea
and how I trusted in the Lord

he said he trusted in himself as
God had fooled him in the Grasshopper
Years I told him he better try to do
Gods will and he never would forsake
him. he could not see that but
treated us with respect

Jan 16th 1881

went 7. mile and had meeting in Boundary Schoolhouse had good attendance and a good spirit prevailed
I went home with Mr. Grace.

17 Visited in connection with Bro.

Jacobsen Mrs. Halvorson two of her daughters had been to meeting the day before. the one belonged to our church and the other believed the give us seats and the children treated us with respect. the old lady approved us but said we could stop and have dinner but did not want us to come because we deceived her children. I told her we did not deceive anyone and her daughter was not deceived we went on without dinner and stopped at Bro. Hansen in the same evening and stopped the next same week.

Sunday 23 meeting at Bro. Hansen's that week I was on my journal stopped part of the time to Niels Larsen's

Jan 30th 1881

Febr

Meeting at Niels Larsen's small all good spirit give a powerful testimony 31 Sister Hansen sick took a bad spell in the evening but as soon as she was administered to she got well

Febr 1 had a talk with Lewis Jontzen 2 Con Bro. Jacobson went over to Norwegian Settlement try to get meeting but had no success. Stopped at Jens Hansen's the rest of the week the snow storm was as hard on the 4th and 5th the was not able to water their stock

Sunday Feb 6th meeting J. Hansen the 7th went to the Post Office but no mail stopped at Mr. Fr. Evanson he had school with his children in the evening 8th dinner at John Sorenson

Stopped at K. H. Helling he spoke of subscribing for the Bristive

9 stopped at J. Sorenson 10 Snow storm 11 went and got the mail received a letter from home and some desert news went to Jens Hansen the same evening

Febr 12 - 1881

Stoped at Jens Hansens. Preaching
13 th Meeting at Jens Hansens
14 wrot at Letter to President J. Taylor
met with Bro Jacobson Called at Soren
Pedersen he was not home. his Wife did not
let us Stop. went to the Welsh Settlement
Stoped at Mr Lewis Delegat to Legislator
was kindly received. and hot Sam Testamony
15 went to Lake Crystal sent of the letters
Bro Jacobson went on the Train to Monticel.
La. and I Proceed with to the Swedish Settle-
ment Stoped at Mortensens was kindly received
16 Stoped at Dr. P. Ericsons had a Long Conver-
sation about the Restoration of the Gospel
17 Dined at Andrew Svendson the Belong-
to the Baptist denomination visited some
Stoped at Joseph Petersen. he was Marriag-
since I was ther last with Mons Johnsons
Daughter and his Father had died
they was very Religious in their own way
18 had a Long Conversation about the
Authority ther was necessary to obedi-
ster in The Principles of the Gospel

Febr 18

went and out the meeting in the
Schoolhouse for Next Sunday
Stoped at Andrew Svendson had
a Good Conversation and his Testamony
Febr 19 Dined at Mons Johnson
Stoped at J. Petersens Mother
20 attended the Baptist Sunday School
at 11 a. m. Meeting at 2 p. m.
Small attendance
Stoped at P. Ericson. had a Long
Conversation with him and at Svendson
21 went to ^{my} Spoon. Stoped at Mr
Grace had a Long Conversation
about the immortality of the Soul
22 visited Bountiful and got Promis
of the School house at Lincoln
Went to Mrs Halvasons it was
Snow so the want me to Stay til
Morning all the Children was home
and we had a Pleasant the Old
Lady was better Dressed than
usual.

Feber 23rd 1881:

went to Linden I did see on the Road how the workt the Snow Plow on the Railroad

Dinned at Guttersons

Received a letter in the Evening from home and wrote and answer the same Evening

24 Weather stormy was Preaching at

25 went to the Post Office Stopped at Niels Larsen

26 Preached the Gospel to them went to Jens Glausens

27 Stopped at their hair Company on the

28 of Hans Jansen and Lars Sorenson Family

Alberts 1st the went to Hugh Williams in

Cambria Blueearth Co. was wel received

29th went to the Trustees to get the School

house to hold meeting was wel entertain

by Mr Davids he lead through the Woods.. and Mr Lewis and me then had

a Long Conversation and I contradicte many false Reports and gave Testimony to the Truth of the Gospel

Marts 2 con

both Mr Davids & Lewis Give their Consent I then went to the 3rd of the Trustees Mr Lewis. he was a Methodist and said the other 2 was not Church members. and he would not Give his Consent. nor Give up the Key in his Possession but would not say anything if the Teacher Give up the Key in his possession I told him I would sooner not be a Church member if it made me narrow Contracted and Prejudice.

I went then to Prichard Jones the was very Liberal and entertained me wel

Marts 3rd went to Judson

dinner at Beckmans. Stormy in the afternoon

Stopped for the Night to Martin

Nielsen one man came in with a

Team from East of Albert Lea

4 went and Preach to Mr Nielsen

last dinner went with a Team

to the Welsh Settlement had supper at Mr Pratts Stopped at Hugh Williams

March 4th

made further arrangement for the Schoolhouse Dinner at John Williams he was a Infidel but like the Spirit in Brother Taylors Sermon

I then went to Hugh Williams and had a very interesting Talk

March 6. Had a very good Meeting between 30 or 40 Present had Supper to J. Williams Stated of H. Williams & went to Linden received letter from my Wife and my Brother in Spanish fork

8 Stopped at Linden

9 Dinned at Anders Knudsen had a long Disput with him an a Irish Katolick. the don all the could to oppose me but truth did Prevail the Woman Children listened with attention

I stopped that night at J. Sorensen

10 went to the Post Office from there to Knud H. Helling and as he was not home I went to Madelia

March 10

met a funeral on the Road had a short talk with Knud H. Helling Dinned near the Depot got the agent to wait for a half fare Permit went 3 miles East of Madelia

Gave out a meeting for next Sunday in School in Boundary Schoolhouse went to Mrs. Hallorsons the Children was all preparing to go to Madelia to Town. She invited me to Supper but the Old Lady was not willing I should stop all night. I went to 4 different places before I got privilege to stop. I stop at

C. Tiquans the was 3 Bachelors and had a girl to keep House the was Lutherans and did not wish to hear anything about the gospel March 11 went back to Hallorsons it was a very heavy Snow storm I helped to keep the Snow of the Loft. the entertained me well and I stopped the next day

March 13

had meeting to Mrs Halvorsons in the forenoon. exchanged sickness with Kelly Halverson took dinner and went to Schoolhouse in snow to my knee. there was no meeting

Went to Drage had conversation with an adventist. took supper and went to Mr Boundary he was not home when I came. The children showed me their Cards. When Mr Boundary and wife came home I was well received and the united with me in Prayer

14 went to Mr Haycraft. and then went and stopped to Mr Guttersey

15 went to Jens Hansen

16. stopped and fixed my valise and wrote a letter to Bro Andersen

17 road east with Brother Hansen the road was very bad with snow and track so he went back I went and stopped at Mr Redfield went down to Hugh

Mr Williams Cambria Bluearth Co
The 18 him and wife said the want to be

March 18

Baptized the next day
Drove with their team up to
Meeting to